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WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission conducted a public hearing on such proposed ordinance on October 17, 1983;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Plan Commission does hereby recommend that such proposed ordinance DO PASS for the reasons that a need has been shown for the Land Use Plan to be amended, the amendment will be in the best interest of and benefit to the area involved and of and to the City, and the amendment will not be detrimental to and does not conflict with the overall City Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary is hereby directed to present a copy of this resolution to the Common Council at its next regular meeting.

This is to certify that the above is a true and exact copy or a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Fort Wayne City Plan Commission held October 24, 1983.

Certified and signed this 31st day of October 1983.

Stephen A. Bailey

Secretary



The City of Fort Wayne

DIVISION OF LAND USE MANAGEMENT
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31 October 1983

Members of the Common Council City-County Building One Main Street Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Gentlemen and Mrs. Bradbury:

Attached hereto is a resolution pertaining to an ordinance amendment acted upon by the City Plan Commission at their regular meeting held October 24, 1983. In addition to the reasons outlined in the resolution, the following are additional remarks pertaining to the ordinance:

- 1. Bill No. G-83-09-47
- 2. River Greenway Ordinance
- 3. Plan Commission Recommendation: DO PASS

This ordinance received a DO PASS recommendation for the following reason:

REASON: The River Greenway Ordinance will aid in the effort to improve the quality of all development that has impact upon our waterway system.

If there are any questions with regard to this ordinance please feel free to call on us.

Respectfully submitted,

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